108TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 3856

To limit the congressional redistricting that States may do after an apportionment.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 26, 2004

Mr. Green of Texas (for himself, Mr. Lampson, Ms. Eddie Bernice Johnson of Texas, Mr. Reyes, Mr. Stenholm, Ms. Jackson-Lee of Texas, Mr. Frost, Mr. Ortiz, Mr. Sandlin, Mr. Rodriguez, Mr. Gonzalez, Mr. Turner of Texas, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Bell, Mr. Doggett, and Mr. Hinojosa) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Redistricting Integrity
- 5 Act".

SEC. 2. LIMIT ON CONGRESSIONAL REDISTRICTING AFTER

2 AN APPORTIONMENT.

3 The Act entitled "An Act for the relief of Doctor Ricardo Vallejo Samala and to provide for congressional re-4 5 districting", approved December 14, 1967 (2 U.S.C. 2c), is amended by adding at the end the following: "A State 6 which has been redistricted in the manner provided by law 8 after an apportionment under section 22(a) of the Act en-9 titled 'An Act to provide for the fifteenth and subsequent 10 decennial censuses and to provide for an apportionment of Representatives in Congress', approved June 18, 1929 11 12 (2 U.S.C. 2a), may not be redistricted again until after the next apportionment of Representatives under such sec-13 tion, unless a Federal court requires the State to conduct 15 such subsequent redistricting to comply with the Constitu-

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tion or to enforce the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (42)

U.S.C. 1973 et seq.).".